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Dear Sylvia,

By the time you get this, Paul should have the first of the N.O. transcripts, Frazier's. He'll copy it when he can. I had asked him for a copy for you because I was certain you'd want one and I've written him besides.

Next will be Finck's. The date is uncertain, but it will not be too long. Paul has been slowed down by a strep throat.

I believe Shaneyfelt's will also be available, but I'm not sure. I have just assumed, as Perhaps Paul would anyway, that anything of significance you'd want. Unless I hear otherwise, or Paul does, we'll see to it that you miss nothing.

I fear our present melancolies are in some respect similar. Mine do not relate to the case or my work, though I suspect the oppression of what both have meant is intiminately intertwined. I presume it is my nerves that are the trouble. I should know soon

Sprague's piece has not been published except by him. Why not ask him for one? It deals with the tramp pictures and is not good (please do not quote me), but perhaps you might like a copy as a record. If he does not provide one, you may borrow mine. However, I suggest you may want it to keep but have nothing to learn from reading it (nothing constructive, that is). I just got it because he recalled not having sent me a copy. Pretty much the same is true of Ben Cutler's well-intended piece on the magic bullet, where the only thing new is the alteration of his plat by West. Bob is asking $4.00 for his and will not make money on it then, though it is thin. I can lend also.

You once mentioned Ockene was not well, but I do not recall the rather serious import of your mention this time. I deeply regret it. He is a fine person. I am satisfied he did try to get B-M to do my book.

I'm keeping as much an eye on Fisher as I can, with good help. You do not malign him.

Today's Times had a story reporting James Earl Ray asked authorities to prevent future visits by Jerry. I wish I could tell you more of this, for I know much about it that is not good. That edition of the Times did not reach here. If you see any Ray stories in the Times, I'd appreciate it if you could send them to me. I do not get it regularly because I cannot afford it and because it usually means a ten-mile drive, which I also cannot afford.

Do not waste the 15¢ for the National Inquirer's Buchanan interview with Garrison. The only thing ne in it is the opinion the logistics behind federal plotting of the JFK assassination was the equivalnt of that to mount the Inchon invasion.

Paul's cost on the xeroxing will be about 4¢ a page, he estimates. He or he and others will do the work. If, at the time you get yours, your finances permit you to send him a mite more, I'd appreciate it because there is some of it for which he will not be compensated. I do not know his finances, but I presume them to be other than robust. My own trouble me more all the time. I wonder how big a part theyhplay in whatever my present problem is. By the way, we are undergoing a full IRS audit, but I am satisfied it is not inspired, nothing out of the usual. It has broken the past two days up rather much and will again Monday. Thus, writing this letter is not taking time from other work.

Fell better,